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Moving and Storage Wage Survey Biloxi-Gulfport and Pascagoula-Moss Point, Miss. September 1984

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This summary presents results of a September 1984 survey of occupational wages in the moving and storage industry in the Biloxi-Gulfport and Pascagoula-Moss Point Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas, which consist of Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, and Stone Counties. This study was conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics at the request of the Employment Standards Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor for use in administering the Service Contract Act of 1965.

This study covered establishments employing 10 workers or more engaged in the moving of household or office furniture, household goods, and related items (part of industry group 421, as defined in the 1972 edition of the Standard Industrial Classification Manual). A total of 7 establishments employing 118 workers were studied.

The wage information included in this report relates to nonsupervisory production workers. Occupational classification was based on a uniform set of job descriptions designed to take account of variations in job duties among establishments. The job descriptions used in the survey are available on request.

A survey covering most private industries is also conducted in this area. A current report is available from any of the Bureau's regional offices listed on the back page of this report.

Table 1. Occupational earnings of workers in moving and storage in Biloxi-Gulfport and Pascagoula-Moss Point, Miss., September 1984

Occupation	Number of workers			Hourly earnings (all workers)[1]			Number of workers receiving straight-time hourly earnings (in dollars) of —																			
	All[2]	Men	Women	Mean	Median	Middle range	3.30 and under 3.40	3.40 – 3.50	3.50 – 3.60	3.60 – 3.70	3.70 – 3.80	3.80 – 3.90	3.90 – 4.00	4.00 – 4.10	4.10 – 4.20	4.20 – 4.30	4.30 – 4.40	4.40 – 4.50	4.50 – 4.60	4.60 – 4.70	4.70 – 4.80	4.80 – 5.00	5.00 – 5.20	5.20 – 5.40	5.40 – 5.60	5.60 – 5.80
Truckdrivers	9	9	–	5.24	5.50	– –	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	3	3
Packers, moving and storage	17	16	1	4.48	4.50	4.10– 5.00	–	–	–	2	2	–	–	–	2	1	–	1	3	–	1	–	2	–	3	–
Laborers, moving and storage	41	41	–	3.80	3.85	3.45– 4.00	7	5	4	–	3	3	–	13	–	4	–	–	1	–	1	–	–	–	–	–
Part-time (regular and casual)	34	34	–	3.76	3.75	3.41– 4.00	7	5	3	–	3	3	–	8	–	3	–	–	1	–	1	–	–	–	–	–

[1] Excludes premium pay for overtime and for work on weekends, holidays, and late shifts. Incentive payments, such as those resulting from piecework, production bonuses, and commission systems, are included in the wages reported; nonproduction bonuses are excluded. Cost-of-living allowances are considered as part of the workers' regular pay. Hourly earnings reported for salaried workers are derived from regular salaries divided by the corresponding standard hours of work. The wages of learners, apprentices, and handicapped workers are excluded. The mean is computed for each job by totaling the earnings of all workers and dividing by the number of workers. The median designates position—one-half of the workers receive the same as or more and one-half receive the same as or less than the rate shown. The middle range is defined by two rates of pay; one-fourth of the workers earn the same as or less than the lower of these rates and one-fourth earn the same as or more than the higher rate.

[2] May include data for workers not identified by sex. Similarly, the overall classification for truckdrivers may include data for workers not identified by type of equipment.

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